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Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference Provides Learning and Networking Opportunities for U of M, Crookston Natural Resources Students

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Seven students from the University of Minnesota Crookston Student Chapter of The Wildlife Society, along with their advisor Associate Professor John Loegering, Ph.D., attended the Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference in early December. The conference held this year in Des Moines, Iowa, was a great opportunity for networking for students and professionals.

This year's conference marked the 72nd year that natural resource professionals in the Midwest have met to share research, management experiences, and valuable insight on issues related to fish and wildlife. During the conference more than 500 scientific presentations, posters, and symposia were presented and students had an opportunity to participate in a valuable workshop on "Beginning Your Professional Journey." Professionals and students shared their latest work and discussed the challenges of

the future. To learn more about the conference online.

Six of the students took advantage of the conference location by attending an evening performance of the Broadway musical "Wicked" which happened to be playing just a few blocks from the hotel on the evening before the conference.

Students attending the Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference were Andy Albertsen, a sophomore natural resources major from Nelson, Minn.; Tim Baker, a senior natural resources major from Gilbert, Minn.; Austin Link, a senior natural resources major from Sebeka, Minn.; Krista Kenyon, a junior natural resources major from Sanford, Manitoba, Canada; Jenny DuBay, a junior natural resources major from Apple Valley, Minn.; Jessica Fenlason, a senior agricultural education and natural resources double major from Evansville, Minn.; Sheila Carleton, a senior agronomy and natural resources double major from Baxter, Minn.

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